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Assistant Director for Manpower Office of Civilian and Defense Mobilization 26 January 1959

Member for CIA Inter-Agency Committee on the National Defense Executive Reserve

Proposed Bill on Reserve of "Less than Executive Level"

REFERENCE: Your Memorandam, 14 January 1959, Same Subject

1. I have carefully reviewed the subject bill. There are several features which would give us some concern from the standpoint of establishing a reserve group for this Agency, composed of selected individuals having specialized skills who are cleared and ready to augment our staff at very short notice.

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- a. Section 2 of this latest draft prevents reservists from being or becoming employees or officers of the Federal Government by reason of civilian reserve status. We are appointing these people to our rolls in a fashion which requires only the issuance of travel orders to bring them on duty either for pre-emergency training or for emergency duty.
- b. Section 3b places a 20% limitation on number on duty in a pay status at one time. This restriction would lead to administrative and training problems, particularly with a small reserve group. Since it is our plan to recruit only people having the basic qualifications, this period of pre-emergency training would be restricted to refresher training only. A two weeks a year limitation would not be unreasonable if it was felt necessary to place some kind of restrictive clause in the legislation.
- c. Section 3b makes salary payments dependent upon a showing of hardship and inequity. We would find this provision difficult to administer.
- d. Section 5 provides for regulations which could well cause security problems to this Assucy.
- 2. I appreciate the opportunity of furnishing these informal comments. This reply deals with administrative points only and in no way constitutes an Agency position on the proposed legislation.

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